

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
WESTERN DIVISION
5:14-MJ-1142-WW-1

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

KRISTEN J. RASCHKE,

Defendant.

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ORDER

This case comes before the court on the government's motion (D.E. 4) pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 48(a) to dismiss with prejudice the criminal information (D.E. 1) filed against defendant on 11 March 2014 on the grounds that defendant is deceased. The court finds that the government's motion is made in good faith and that dismissal of this case is not contrary to the public interest. *See United States v. Goodson*, 204 F.3d 508, 512 (4th Cir. 2000) (holding that "the court must grant the government's Rule 48(a) motion unless the court concludes that to grant it would be clearly contrary to manifest public interest, determined by whether the prosecutor's motion to dismiss was made in bad faith"). Accordingly, the motion is GRANTED, and the criminal information against defendant is hereby DISMISSED.

SO ORDERED, this the 20th day of October 2014.


James E. Gates
United States Magistrate Judge